PUBLIC NOTICE DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ISSUANCE OF UIC PERMIT UTU500004

PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

THE UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY IS SOLICITING COMMENTS ON ITS PROPOSAL TO ISSUE AN UNDERGROUND INJECTION CONTROL PERMIT UNDER AUTHORITY OF THE UTAH WATER QUALITY ACT, SECTION 19-5-104(1)(i) UTAH CODE ANNOTATED 1953 AS AMENDED, UTAH, AND THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE R317-7.

PERMIT INFORMATION

PERMITEE NAME: ENVIROTECH OF UTAH, INC.

MAILING ADDRESS: C/O JAY BELL

FABIAN & CLENDENIN 215 SOUTH STATE ST

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH 84111

FACILITY LOCATION: FOUR MILES NORTH OF DUCHESNE ON STATE ROAD 87

ENVIROTECH OF UTAH, INC. (ENVIROTECH) ROOSEVELT, UTAH HAS MADE APPLICATION FOR A CLASS V UNDERGROUND INJECTION CONTROL PERMIT FOR INJECTION OF NONHAZARDOUS INDUSTRIAL WASTE FLUIDS INTO THE UPPER GREEN RIVER FORMATION BETWEEN THE DEPTHS OF 4,100 TO 6,520 FEET AND 7,231 TO 7,528 FEET. THE INJECTION ZONE CONTAINS SALINE WATER WITH OVER 45,000 MG/L TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS, AND DOES NOT MEET THE DEFINITION OF AN UNDERGROUND SOURCE OF DRINKING WATER (USDW). HOWEVER, THE INJECTION ZONE IS OVERLAIN AND UNDERLAIN BY USDW'S (LESS THAN 10,000 MG/L TOTAL DISSOLVED SOLIDS), BUT IS ISOLATED FROM THEM BY CONFINING LAYERS OF SHALE AND SILTSTONE.

THE PROPOSED CLASS V INJECTION WELL (BLUE BENCH 13-1) HAS BEEN PERMITTED IN THE PAST TO INJECT CLASS II FLUIDS SUCH AS PRODUCED WATERS (BRINES) FROM OIL AND GAS OPERATIONS INTO THE SAME FORMATION INTERVALS. THE CLASS V PERMIT WOULD ALLOW THE INJECTION OF NONHAZARDOUS WASTE FLUIDS FROM DRILLING CONTRACTORS, PIPELINES, REFINERIES, GAS PLANTS, TANK FARMS, WELL WORKOVERS, GENERAL CONSTRUCTION, MANUFACTURING, FOOD PROCESSING, TRUCKING OPERATIONS, LEAKING UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK SITES, AND MUNICIPAL SEWAGE TREATMENT FACILITIES, ETC. CLASS II WASTE WILL NOT BE INCLUDED IN THE INJECTED WASTE STREAM.

THE FACILITY NAMED ABOVE HAS SATISFIED THE REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMERCIAL NONHAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITIES UNDER THE SOLID AND HAZARDOUS WASTE ACT (19-6-108 UCA).

PUBLIC COMMENTS

PUBLIC COMMENTS ARE INVITED ANY TIME PRIOR TO FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2004. WRITTEN COMMENTS MAY BE DIRECTED TO THE DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY, P.O. BOX 144870, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84114-4870. ALL COMMENTS RECEIVED PRIOR TO FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2004 WILL BE CONSIDERED IN THE FORMULATION OF FINAL DETERMINATIONS TO BE IMPOSED ON THE PERMITEE. A PUBLIC HEARING MAY BE HELD IF WRITTEN REQUESTS ARE RECEIVED WITHIN THE FIRST 15 DAYS OF THIS PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD, THAT DEMONSTRATE SIGNIFICANT PUBLIC INTEREST AND SUBSTANTTIVE ISSUES TO WARRANT HOLDING A HEARING.

FURTHER INFORMATION

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION MAY BE OBTAINED UPON REQUEST BY CALLING CANDACE CADY AT (801) 538-6146 OR BY WRITING THE AFOREMENTIONED ADDRESS. RELATED DOCUMENTS ARE AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS AT THE DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY, 288 N. 1460 W., SALT LAKE CITY.

FOR THOSE INDIVIDUALS NEEDING SPECIAL ASSISTANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, PLEASE CONTACT THE UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY BUREAU OF HUMAN RESOURCES AT (801) 536-4414.